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**Mail Stop Patent Application  
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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: CARBIDOPA PRODRUGS AND DERIVATIVES, AND  
COMPOSITIONS AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 133 pages, including 4 independent claims and 146 claims total.
2. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ 770.00
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Total Claims	146	-	20	126	x \$18	2268.00
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3. A check for \$3,414.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$770.00 filing fee;  
\$2354.00 additional claims fee; and  
\$290.00 presentation of multiple dependent claims.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/431,304 filed December 6, 2002.

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This application will be completed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) upon receiving a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and any other fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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